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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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01/11/2013: A multi-national team from DX Friends (Alberto EA1SA, Roberto EA2RY, Toni EA5RM, Manolo EA7AJR, Jose Ramon EA7KW, Alain F6ENO, Tony F8ATS, Bernard F9IE, Roberto HK3CW, Faber HK6F, Fabrizio IN3ZNR and Valery RG8K) will be active as 5J0R from San Andres Island (NA-033, WLOTA 2990, WWFF HKFF-035) between 1-10 November, 2013. They will operate CW, SSB and RTTY on 160-6 metres with at least four stations at the same time on different bands and modes. QSL via EA5RM. Further information and updates, including logsearch and OQRS at: www.dxfriends.com/SanAndres2013/ [425 DX News]

01/11/2013: In honour of celebrating the 50th anniversary of ARA foundation (1963-2013) members of ARA, inc. Toufik 7X2DE, Afif 7X2RO, Kamel 7X2GK, Amalou 7X2MV and Ziar 7X2ZO will be active on the 1st of November 2013 from Castel Santa Cruz (WCA 7X-00013) located on Mount Murdjadjo (429 meters). They plan to work as special callsign 7T9A on all bands, all modes. QSL via bureau or direct. [RN1CW]

01/11/2013: The Team DX group Orobal, inc. Sixto EA8CDW, Andres EA8AAW and Antonio EA8ED will be active on the 1st of November 2013 from Casa Fuerte de Agaete (WCA EA-06077, DCE CGC-018), Agaete, Gran Canaria (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA 0969, WWFF EAFF-078, EAA GC). They plan to work as EA8ED/P on 15, 20 and 40 metre SSB only. QSL via EA8ED. [RN1CW]

01/11/2013: Freddy, F5IRO, will be QRV from Plum village, in the commune of Le Mont-Dore on the southwest coast of New Caledonia, between November 2013 and February 2014 as FK/F5IRO. He'll operate from 10 to 80m (WARC included) with K3 bare foot, home made dipoles and long wire antennas. Modes mainly CW and some PSK. Freddy will team up with Michel, FK8IK, in Noumea using the special callsign TX5W for the CQWW DX CW Contest (23-24 November). QSL via F5IRO French bureau (REF) or direct. Infos on his QRZ.com page (www.qrz.com/db/F5IRO). The log will be uploaded on Clublog and Lotw in March 2014. Further infos and photos on his personal blog (j28ro.blogspot.com/). [DX World]

01/11/2013: Take, JA1UII will be active from Chichi-jima (AS-031, WLOTA 2269), Ogasawara, as JD1BON between 1-4 November, 2013. QRV on the HF bands, all modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [DX World]

01/11/2013: A team consisting Mario CX4CR, Bert CX3AN, Gus CX2AM, Gus CX3CE, Rainer CX8FB, Oscar CX2FR, Luis CX4AAJ, Jose CE0YHO, Francisco EA7FTR, Eugene EA5HPX and Carlos LU2NI will be operating as XR0YY from Hanga Roa, Easter Island (SA-001, DICE ICE-001, WLOTA 0319, WWFF CEFF-027, WW Loc. DG52GU) between 1-7th November, 2013. They will run 3 stations simultaneously - 160-6 metre CW, SSB and Digital modes. QSL Manager is EB7DX. Full information and updates will be availabe on their website at: easterisland2013.com/ [DX World]

01/11/2013: Take, JA6CNH, will be active from Ho Chi Minh City (Grid Loc. OK30), Vietnam, as XV2CNH between 1-9 November, 2013. QRV on 160-6m CW, SSB and Digi-modes. QSL via JA6CNH and LoTW. [DX World]

01/11/2013: Nob JA2AAU, Iwao JA2LSS, Iku JA2ATE and Tug JA2ZS, will be active from the Iririki Island Resort, located in Mele Bay, Port Villa, Vanuatu (OC-035, WW Loc. RH42DG), as YJ0AU, YJ0CJ, YJ0TE and YJ0ZS, respectively, between November 1-11, 2013. QRV on 160-6m; CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL YJ0AU and YJ0CJ via JA2ATE direct only. QSL YJ0TE and YJ0ZS via home calls, direct or bureau. Website: www.qrz.com/db/YJ0ZS [DX World]

01/11/2013: The 4M5DX Group is organizing a DXpedition to take place from Aves Island (NA-020, DIV-001, WLOTA 0216) sometime between 1 November 2013 and 28 February 2014. Eleven operators from Venezuela, Argentina, Finland and Spain will be active as YW0A on 160-6 metres all modes. QSL via EB7DX (OQRS for direct and bureau cards on Club Log) and LoTW. Bookmark www.avesisland.info/ for further information and updates. [425 DX News]

02/11/2013: Jacques, HB9EYP, will be active holiday style from Zanzibar Island (AF-032, WLOTA 1080, WW Loc. KI93SU) as 5H3JJ between 2-9th November, 2013. He plans to be QRV on 20-6m, SSB and Digi-modes, using KX3 - 10W with a Buddipole and Windom antenna from the beach. QSL via home call, bureau only. Please - no direct QSLs. [DX World]

02/11/2013: Adrian, EA1CYK, will be active from Lebanon between (approx.) 2 November 2013 and 3 May 2014 as OD5/EA1CYK. He will be active on HF Bands SSB. QSL via EA7LS. Further information to follow... [DxCoffee]

02/11/2013: Toshi, JA3NHL, will again be active from Ho Chi Minh City (Grid Loc. OK30), Vietnam, as XV2NHL between 2-8th November, 2013. QRV on 160-6 metre CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [DX World]

02/11/2013: Budi, YF1AR/4 will be active from Sebesi Island (OC-262) between 2-5 November 2013. QRV on 40-10m, mainly SSB; some CW and Digi. QSL via N2OO. Webpage: www.yf1ar.com/2013/10/yf1ar4-oc-262-sebesi-island.html [DX World]

03/11/2013: Kuni JA8VE, Sasi JA1KJW and Mat JA1JQY will be active from Niue Island (OC-040, WLOTA 2139) as E6AA, E6AK and E6AY, respectively, between 3-9th November, 2013. Plans are to be QRV on 1.8-28MHz CW, SSB and RTTY, using K2/100, K3/100, Icom IC-726, Ameritron ALS-500M, into Spider beam, HEX beam, Dipoles and Verticals. QSL via their home callsigns, bureau or direct. [DX-World]

04/11/2013: Armin, DK9PY, will be QRV from Mayotte Island (AF-027, DIFO FH-001, WLOTA 0376) as FH/DK9PY between 4-11 November and Reunion Island (AF-016, DIFO FR-001, WLOTA 1812, WWFF FFF-011) as FR/DK9PY between 11-22 November, 2013. He will operate on all bands between 40 and 10m, 12 kHz from the lower edge of each band. If conditions will allow Armin will also work on 80m and 160m. Mode: CW only. QSL via home call. [DX World]

05/11/2013: Look for John, G4IRN, to be active as D44TWQ from the island of Boa Vista (AF-086, WLOTA 0972), Cape Verde Islands, from 5-12 November 2013. QRV holiday style on the WARC bands, CW only, using a K2 + KPA500 and Trapped Dipole. This is primarily a windsurfing holiday, so operation will be part-time only. QSL via home call. Website: g4irn.com/cap-verde-2013/ [DX World]

05/11/2013: Our team is planning the activation of Banaba Island (OC-018) during 5-18th November, 2013. Plans are to have six stations at two sites operating CW/SSB/RTTY on 160m through 10m. The team is comprised of Jay W2IJ, David N1EMC, Arnold N6HC, Gerhard DJ5IW, Mike N9NS, Charlie W6KK, Cliff KD6XH, Jay AA4FL, Alan AD6E, Dominik DL5EBE, Ann WA1S, Robert WA1F, Ricardo PY2PT, Axel DL6KVA, David N6HD, Al K3VN, Jay K4ZLE, John N7CQQ, and Ron WA6FGV. QSLs will be available direct by mail through our QSL manager, W2IJ. OQRS by ClubLog will be available. QSLs will also be available by the bureau. Logs will be posted to LoTW approximately 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. Further

information and updates at: www.t33a.com/index.htm also banaba2013.wordpress.com/ [DX World]

05/11/2013: Mike, DF8AN, will be active from several Caribbean islands between 5th and 19th November 2013. His schedule is as follows: V26MN - island of Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118) from 5-8th November; VP2MMN - island of Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475) from 8-5th November; and V4/DF8AN - island of St. Kitts (NA-104) from 15-19th November. QRV mainly CW on HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [DX World]

07/11/2013: Gerd, DL7VOG, will be active as J87GU from Union Island, The Grenadines (NA-025), between 7-27th November 2013, including entries in the WAE DX RTTY (9-10 November) and CQWW DX CW (23-24 November) Contests. He will be QRV on 160-6 metres, mainly CW and RTTY. If you need J87GU on SSB, drop Gerd an email. QSL via home call, bureau preferred (OQRS on Club Log). Webpage: www.dl7vog.de/html/next_plans.html [425 DX News / DX World]

07/11/2013: Toshi, JP1IOF, will again be active as JD1BLC from Chichi-jima (AS-031, WLOTA 2269, JCG #10007), JA1 Tokyo pref., Ogasawara Subprefecture, Ogasawara, between 7-15th Novenmber, 2013. QRV on all HF bands and modes. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. LoTW and OQRS available. Online log search will be hosted by ClubLog. [DX World]

07/11/2013: Rob, N7QT and Hugh, W4VAB will be heading to both Saba (7-17th November) and Sint Maarten islands (17-24th November) on a suitcase mini-DXpedition. They will be using the new CrankIR portable antenna system from SteppIR (www.steppir.com/), as well as Elecraft KX3/K3 transceivers. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using the following modes: CW, SSB and digital modes (RTTY, PSK and JT65). Operating call signs on Saba (NA-145, WLOTA 2043, WWFF PAFF-027) will be PJ6/N7QT and PJ6/W4VAB. While on Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711), calls signs will be PJ7/N7QT and PJ7/W4VAB. QSL information: via LOTW, eQSL, Bureau, or Direct (SASE + IRC). [NG3K]

07/11/2013: A YL-expedition to Los Roques (SA-035, DIV-037, WLOTA 2910, WW Loc. FK61QS) is being planned for 7-10 November, 2013, using the callsign YW5RYL. Team members include Carolina YV4AW, Maika YY5ALO, Geraldine YY2GAL, Laura YY5OLA, Naudys YY5ANG, Maria Celina YY5MCO and Yumayra YY5YVR. Activity will be on 160-6 metre CW, SSB, and the Digital modes. QSL via direct (QRZ.com) and OQRS will be available. Full info on their website at: yw5ryl.hamradioyv.com/?p=47 [DX World]

LOOKING AHEAD -

16/11/2013: Operators Charlie K1XX, George K5KG, Jim WI9WI and Gus VO1MP will be active as J79XX, J75KG, J79WI and J79MP, respectively, from Sea Cliff Cottages near the village of Calibishi, island of Dominica (NA-101) between 16-25th November 2013. The group plans to also be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (23-24 November) signing J73A (not J7A as previously reported) as a Multi-2 entry. QSLs go direct to each operator with SASE/SAE + sufficient postage. QSLs for J73A to WI9WI with SASE/SAE + postage only. (No Bureau cards). [DX World]

20/11/2013: Permission has just been granted by the Ministry of Telecommunications & IT, Government of India, to activate Laccadive (Lakshadweep) Islands between 20th November and 10th December 2013. The team plans to be active from Agatti Island (AS-011, WLOTA 2775) with the callsign VU7AG. Another callsign has been issued for demonstration purposes on Kavaratti Island (AS-011, WLOTA 0591) - VU7KA. This would be used only briefly when team members make presentations to the local administration in Kavaratti and educate them on amateur radio. The team would be operational in batches with three high

power stations running CW, SSB and RTTY. Operators include Krish W4VKU, Pai VU2PAI, Nandu VU2NKS, Chetan VU3DMP, Deepak VU2CDP, Chandra VU2RCT, Basappa VU2NXM, Aravind VU2ABS and Raji VU3CHM. QSL manager is Krish W4VKU (Krishna Kanakasapapathi, 102 Brook Creek Dr., Cary, NC 27519, USA). OQRS will be enabled soon after the expedition. Further information and updates on their website at: www.vu7ag.info/ [DX World]

23/11/2013: Nodir, EY8MM, plans a Single-Op/Single-Band (160m) entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (23-24 November) from Dushanbe, Tajikistan, CQ zone 17. QSL via K1BV. Website: www.ey8mm.com/ [NG3K]

23/11/2013: Dick, GU4CHY, will participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (23-24 November) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (10m) entry from Castel, isle of Guernsey (EU-114, WLOTA 0013, CQ zone 14). Note: "Planning on 10m but will switch to 15m if conditions seem poor on 10". QSL via the information on QRZ.com. [NG3K]

23/11/2013: Dave, N2NL, will be active as NH2T during the CQWW DX CW Contest (23-24 November) from the USCG Contest Group station, Hagatna, island of Guam (OC-026, USi GU-003S, WLOTA 0064, WWFF KFF-110, WW Loc. QK23JN). Dave will enter in the Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power category, CQ zone 27. QSL via W2YC, direct only. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. Website: www.n2nl.net [NG3K]

23/11/2013: Al, WP3C, will once again be active as NP4A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (23-24 November) from Ponce, Puerto Rico (NA-099, USi PR-006S, WLOTA 2802). Plans are for a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL goes via W3HNK. [NG3K]

26/11/2013: From 26th November 2013 until 7th January 2014, Andrea IK1PMR and Claudia (YL) PA3LEO will be active from the island of Tenerife (DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF), Canary Islands (AF-004) as EA8/homecalls. They plan to be QRV on 160m-6 metre CW, RTTY and SSB. QSL via home calls (bureau, direct, or eMail requests). Website: www.ik1pmr.com/ [NG3K]

09/12/2013: Operators Mike KI1U (8P9IU), Bruce K0BJ (8P9BJ) and Mike N1TA (8P9TA) will be active from the island of Barbados (NA-021, WLOTA 0999), on all bands and modes, from 9-16 December 2013. This will include a Multi-Op entry in the ARRL 10M Contest (14-15 December), using the callsign 8P8T. QSL via the individual operators' home call. QSL 8P8T via KI1U. [DXAT]

14/12/2013: Mathias, DJ2HD, plans a 4x4 trip through different African countries between 14th December 2013 and 18th January 2014. From 14 December 2013 to 18 January 2014 Mathias will be active from Namibia using the callsign V5/DJ2HD. This will include an entry in the 10m DARC SSB Contest (12th January). Between 22-24th December 2013 he will be active from Lesotho as 7P8DJ. QRV on the HF bands, holiday style, using SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [DX World]

14/03/2014: Operators Benjamin XE2AU, Juan Manue XE2AI, Ismael XE1AY, Jorge XE2AMS, Juan XE2AY, David XE1REW, Gustavo XE1KKK and Enrique XE2AA will be active as XF1T from Cocinas Island (IOTA NA-189) on 14-17th March, 2014. QRV on all bands and modes. QSL via IT9EJW, OQRS. Logsearch on ClubLog after the DXpedition. [IT9EJW]

29/03/2014: Igor, UA2FZ, plans to be active from Kaliningrad as UI2K in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (29-30 March 2014) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry from CQ zone 15. QSL UI2K via UA2FZ. [NG3K]

SPECIAL EVENTS -

01/11/2013: The Royal Air Force station at Henlow (WW Loc. IO92UA), in Bedfordshire, UK - G3ELV and the RAF Signals Museum, will be open for business under the Permanent Special event callsign GB4SMH with effect from 1 November 2013. Normal operating times will be 10:00 ukt to 16:00 ukt on each Tuesday and on the first Saturday of each month. QSL via the RSGB Bureau. The RAF Signals Museum website can be found at: www.rafsignalsmuseum.org.uk/ [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

01/11/2013: II8IDXC "International DX Convention" from November 2013 until May 2015 - Special callsign to publicize the 10th Anniversary of International DX Convention that will be in Paestum (SA), Italy, next April 2015. QRV on HF bands + 6m, CW, SSB and Digi-modes. QSL via IZ8EDJ. Further information at: www.dxitalia.it/ [IZ8EDJ]

01/11/2013: The Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) is going to remember Saint Martyrs Yakov, Yakov and Dionisii during the entire month of November with the special callsign LZ1520YYD. This callsign is valid for the All Bulgarian Saints Award 2013 (www.balkanclub.org/awards.htm) and is also worth 10 points towards the St. Teodosii Tyrnovski Award. QSL via LZ1KCP, direct or bureau. [LZ1KCP]

01/11/2013: Special callsign JT50SSB will be QRV on all bands and modes to mark the 50th anniversary of the first SSB QSO from Mongolia (made by Russian amateur radio operator Vladimir Vasilievich Belousov in 1963). Look for Baatar JT1BB, Baldan JT1BO, Bat-Erdene JT1CS, Enkhbayar JT1DA and UA3ABR, son of Vladimir to be activate the special event station from Han Uul district, Ulaanbaatar. QSL via UA3ABR.

01/11/2013: The TC Special Wireless Activity Team will be active as TC301B from 1-17 November 2013 to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Website: www.tcswat.org/ [TCSWAT]

02/11/2013: Fred, PA0FAW, will be active as PG200NL to celebrate 200 years of The Netherlands between 2-29th November 2013. His operations will be mainly on CW, but with some Digital modes and SSB only upon availability of a good QTH. Fred is an ISWL Member and can be worked, or heard by ISWL members for the Monitor award. QSL to PA0FAW, by the Bureau, direct, or via eQSL.cc. SWL reports are very welcome. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

02/11/2013: From 2-24 November 2013, look for special event station XV2V40J to be QRV on all bands and modes in commemoration (40 years) of the Japan-Vietnam establishment of diplomatic relations. Operators include Shim JF1HJZ/XV3AA, Shoji JA2TXR, Toshi JA3NHL, Isamu JA4AGA, Take JA6CNH, Megumu JA6QGF and Hisao JA8NF. QSL via JF1HJZ/XV3AA. [DX World]

05/11/2013: The RSGB centenary celebrations return to Scotland (EU-005, WLOTA 1234) using the callsign GM100RSGB between 5 November until 2 December 2013. Activity will be on all bands and modes. QSL info can be found at: www.rsgb.org/ [RSGB]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

01/11-10/11 5J0R: Isla San Andres WLOTA:2990 QSL EA5RM (d)
01/11-1/3/14 FK/F5IRO: New Caledonia WLOTA:1280 QSL F5IRO (d/B)
01/11-04/11 JD1BON: Chichi Shima WLOTA:2269 QSL JA1UII (d/B)
01/11-07/11 XR0YY: Isla de Pascua WLOTA:0319 QSL EB7DX (d)
01/11-28/2/14 YW0A: Isla Aves WLOTA:0216 QSL EB7DX (OQRS)
02/11-09/11 5H3JJ: Zanzibar Island WLOTA:1080 QSL HB9EYP (B)

03/11-09/11 E6AA: Niue Island WLOTA:2139 QSL JA8VE (d/B)
03/11-09/11 E6AK: Niue Island WLOTA:2139 QSL JA1KJW (d/B)
03/11-09/11 E6AY: Niue Island WLOTA:2139 QSL JA1JQY (d/B)
03/11-17/11 TO2R: La Reunion Island WLOTA:1812 QSL F5UOW (d/B)
04/11-11/11 FH/DK9PY: Mayotte Island WLOTA:0376 QSL H/c (d/B)
05/11-12/11 D44TWQ: Ilha da Boa Vista WLOTA:0972 QSL G4IRN (d/B)
05/11-02/12 GM100RSGB: Scotland (main island) WLOTA:1234 QSL ClubLog OQRS
05/11-08/11 V26MN: Antigua Island WLOTA:1118 QSL DF8AN (d/B)
07/11-15/11 JD1BLC: Chichi Shima WLOTA:2269 QSL JP1IOF (d/B)
07/11-17/11 PJ6/N7QT: Saba Island WLOTA:2043 QSL H/c (d/B)
07/11-17/11 PJ6/W4VAB: Saba Island WLOTA:2043 QSL H/c (d/B)
07/11-10/11 YW5RYL: El Grand Roque WLOTA:2910 QSL Direct/OQRS

6 METRES & UP -

01/11 Holzhammer Contest 2m Phone 0900z-1100z
01/11 Holzhammer Contest 70cm Phone 1100z-1200z
01/11-10/11 5J0R: San Andres NA-033 Grid:EK92 50.105CW 50.115SSB QSL EA5RM (d)
01/11-07/11 XR0YY: Easter Island SA-001 Grid:DG52 6m all mode QSL EB7DX (d)
01/11-11/11 YJ0AU: Iririki Island OC-035 Grid:RH42 6m all mode QSL JA2ATE (d)
01/11-11/11 YJ0CJ: Iririki Island OC-035 Grid:RH42 6m all mode QSL JA2ATE (d)
01/11-11/11 YJ0TE: Iririki Island OC-035 Grid:RH42 6m all mode QSL JA2ATE (d/B)
01/11-11/11 YJ0ZS: Iririki Island OC-035 Grid:RH42 6m all mode QSL JA2ZS (d/B)
02/11 RaDAR-America Contest Phone/CW/Digi/HF+VHF 6m-70cm+Up 1400z-1800z
02/11-03/11 RSGB 144 MHz CW Marconi Contest SO Fixed/Open 02 1400z-03 1400z
02/11-09/11 5H3JJ: Zanzibar AF-032 Grid:KI93 6m Phone/Digi QSL HB9EYP (d/B)
02/11-08/11 XV2NHL: Vietnam Grid:OK30 6m CW/SSB/RTTY QSL JA3NHL (d/B)
05/11 LY 144MHz Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 1800z-2159z
05/11 NRAU 144MHz Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1800z-2200z
05/11 RSGB 144MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
05/11-02/12 GM100RSGB: RSGB Centenary - South Scotland VHF/UHF QSL ClubLog OQRS
06/11 MOON Contest 144MHz CW/Digital/FM/SSB 1900z-2100z
07/11-10/11 YW5RYL: Los Roques SA-035 Grid:FK61 6m CW/SSB QSL Direct/OQRS

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_nov.html

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/

QSL INFO -

The following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
T6MH - Afghanistan
2012 and 2013 Operations
Note: If anyone had this contact rejected in a recent submission send an e-mail to bmoore at arrl.org<mailto:bmoore at arrl.org> to be placed on the list for an update to your record. Please be sure to note the submission date to help expedite the search for this QSO.
73 es DX!
Bill Moore NC1L
Awards Branch Manager

QSLs via Bureau: 7O6T.

QSLs via Direct: A35JP/H (JA0RQV), CE3/UA4WHX (H/c), CP4BT (DJ2BW), CT9/DJ8OG (H/c), EG3INT/7 [EU-152] (EA5KA), EU1A (QRZ.com), HB0/DL2SBY (H/c), LU/UA4WHX

(H/c), OA4/UA4WHX (H/c), OP2A (QRZ.com), PJ2/DL8OBQ [SA-099] (H/c), SU9VB (UA4WHX), T8GM (PG5M), TK0INT [EU-010] (EA5KA/OQRS), UA4WHX/CX (H/c), V6G (PG5M), XZ1Z (JH1AJT), YB8BRI/p [OC-236] (H/c), ZA/UA4WHX (H/c) and ZB2CN (DJ9WH).

QSLs via LoTW: TX5D [OC-114].

LINKS -
CIsA (Canadian Islands Award Program) at: www.qsl.net/ve3tpz/cisa/
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
NAQCC (North America QRP CW Club) at: naqcc.info/
USi (U.S. Islands Award Program) at: www.usislands.org/
VEFF - Canada Flora & Fauna at: www.qsl.net/va3rj/
VEFF Yahoo! Group at: groups.yahoo.com/group/VEFF/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcag.html
WLA (World Lakes Award) at: worldlakes.info/
WWFF (World-Wide Flora & Fauna) at: www.wwff.co/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/

BITS & PIECES -

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE NOVEMBER 1, 2013
LATEST NEWS FROM KOSOVO, Z60A AND ALBANIA, ZA

During the recent CQWW activation of Kosovo, a project to activate neighboring Albania was agreed jointly by members of SHRAK, Kosovo's Amateur Radio Association (Z60A) and Radio Arcala (OH8X) of Finland.

The team will be headed by Fehmi Bojniku Z62FB and Martti Laine, OH2BH. They are seeking additional team members from USA and Japan. The operating location will be the coastal city of Durres - only a 3-hour drive from Kosovo's capital Pristina.

To simulate the upcoming ZA expedition, the Kosovo team will fire up Z60A for the first time this coming Friday (November 1) until Sunday (November 3) on the following SSB frequencies: 14210, 21310 and 28510 kHz, operating split frequency when needed. Special emphasis will be given to Japan and USA, with superb radio conditions hopefully lasting for this weekend.

The following persons - Vjollca, Z61VB; Driton, Z61DX and Fehmi, Z62FB - are heading the operations with their new hams participating. A special QSL card can be obtained via OH2BH.

This activity is supported by Emerald Hotel, Pristina. <www.emeraldhotel.info/>

While Kosovo is expected to qualify for DXCC credit some time soon, Albania counts now and is still semi-rare on several bands.

In the recent CQWW SSB Contest, as many as four (4) Z6 stations participated in the event and their QSOs will soon be uploaded to LoTW. [OH2BN]

Wake Atoll Commemorative DXpedition
Press Release #6
28-October, 2013

The Wake Atoll Commemorative DXpedition team has been approved for entry onto Wake Atoll. Our equipment is already on Wake and in safe storage awaiting our arrival. The 12-Operator team includes: Joe-AA4NN, John-K6MM, Craig-K9CT, Mike-K9NW, Ralph-K9ZO, Lou-N2TU, Jim-N9TK, Mark-NA6M, Dick-W3OA, Joe-W8GEX, Hal-W8HC, and Jerry-WB9Z.

The plan is for the team to assemble in Hawaii on 30-October, depart 01-November, arrive on 02-November and immediately erect antennas and set-up the stations. There will be two CW and two SSB stations on the air. The CW site will be located across from the Arrivals terminal and the SSB site will be housed in a "beach house" near downtown Wake.

We are planning on being QRV 03-November through 15-November (Wake time). If there are any changes, they will be posted on our website. http://wake2013.org/pages/bandplan.html

Logs will be uploaded to ClubLog as time and internet access allows.

This is a commemorative DXpedition. Our prime objective is to honor the lives and contributions of the Forgotten 98 civilian contractors who lost their lives on Wake during WWII. Some of these men have yet to be identified. If you know any of the Forgotten 98 or their relatives, modern DNA testing may identify their remains and provide for a proper burial. Please take a moment to look through their names. http://wake2013.org/pages/forgotten98.html

Wake Atoll is an active military base and access is extremely limited. The Team is most grateful to the United States Air Force for allowing this Commemoration to take place.

Also, the Team wants to thank the DX community, including generous worldwide Foundations, Clubs, Individuals, Equipment manufacturers and outlets for their outstanding support of the Wake commemorative efforts. These DXpeditions are extremely expensive and could not be accomplished without the support of the entire DX community. Visit the website to view our sponsors and make your personal donation. http://wake2013.org/pages/sponsors.html

Please note! A few other DXpeditions will be on the air during the Wake operation. To avoid the dreaded "not in the log", please be sure which DXpedition you are working! Our operators will announce the K9W callsign often to help identify your contact.

Please check our website frequently for updates. http://www.wake2013.org/

And don't forget to sign our Guestbook!

73,
K9W Wake Atoll Management Team

5Z, KENYA -
Dani EA4ATI is currently active from Kenya as 5Z4T. He is active on HF Bands. Length of stay is currently unknown. QSL via EA4YK. [DXAT]

REMIDER: I.S.W.L. CLUB CALLSIGNS -
The ISWL Club Callsigns in use throughout the month of November 2013 are:
GS4BJC /A - Operated from Newton Stewart, in Dumfries & Galloway, Wigtownshire, by Ian - GM8AVM (/A WAB Square = NX45 - Scotland, IOTA = EU-005 & WLOTA = LH-1234).
MX1SWL /A - Operated from Hartford, in Cambridgeshire, by Tom - G3RPV. (/A WAB Square = TL27 - England, IOTA = EU-005 and WLOTA = LH-1841).
ALL QSL's will be handled by Herbie G6XOU and NOT the individual Operator.
The I.S.W.L. is a member of the European PSK Club.
All QSL Info is on www.iswl.org.uk/ or www.qrz.com/ or via www.eQSL.cc/ NO LOTW.
I.S.W.L. Awards are available to all Hams and SWL's - see www.iswl.org.uk/ for full details. eQSL.cc cards ARE welcomed for our awards.
Very best wishes to all,
Pete Rayer, ISWL Life Vice President, Bournemouth, UK.
[Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

YB9Y Logs now on ClubLog! ;o)
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
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